SENATE BILL 1550

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Chapter 26 of the Private Acts of 2007; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the Maury County Sheriff's Department.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 26 of the Private Acts of 2007, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the last sentence in Section 2 and substituting the following:

The board shall meet at least semiannually.

SECTION 2. Chapter 26 of the Private Acts of 2007, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 6 and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 6. The civil service board shall elect a board member as chairman.

The County Mayor or other person designated by the County Mayor shall serve as secretary to the civil service board without additional compensation. The secretary will be the keeper of the civil service board records.

SECTION 3. Chapter 26 of the Private Acts of 2007, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Section 7 by deleting Subparagraphs 4 and 5 and redesignating Subparagraph 6 as a new Subparagraph 4.

SECTION 4. Chapter 26 of the Private Acts of 2007, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 10 and substituting the following:

SECTION 10. Upon request by the sheriff and funding by the Maury County legislative body, positions may be created, combined, altered, or abolished. Provided, however, that no position in the classified service shall be abolished except upon approval of the county legislative body acting in good faith upon the advice of the sheriff.

SECTION 5. Chapter 26 of the Private Acts of 2007, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 12 and substituting the following:

SECTION 12. [Deleted by 2023 Amendment to Private Acts]

SECTION 6. Chapter 26 of the Private Acts of 2007, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 13 and substituting the following:

SECTION 13. [Deleted by 2023 Amendment to Private Acts]

SECTION 7. Chapter 26 of the Private Acts of 2007, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 14 and substituting the following:

SECTION 14. [Deleted by 2023 Amendment to Private Acts]

SECTION 8. Chapter 26 of the Private Acts of 2007, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 17 and substituting the following:

The sheriff may suspend any employee for not more than ten (10) days for cause, but there shall be a right of appeal for any such suspension. The sheriff may demote any employee with rank for cause, but there shall be a right of appeal for any such demotion. The board shall have the power to reverse the sheriff's decision and reinstate employees with lost wages in such matters.

All suspensions, terminations, and demotions shall also comply with county general personnel policies.

All appeals to the board must be filed within ten (10) days of the sheriff's disciplinary action and shall be heard by the board within thirty (30) days of the board's receipt of the appeal request.

SECTION 9. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Maury County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 10. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 9.

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